

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph at page 2, lines 11-16 with the following amended paragraph:

(in formula (1),  $R^1$  represents  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  or  $\text{COOR}^6$ ,  $R^6$  represents hydrogen, a lower alkyl group having the number of carbon atoms of 1 to 3, or a cation capable of forming a salt with  $\text{COO}^-$ , each of  $R^2$  to  $R^5$  independently represents a hydrogen atom or methyl group, and  $\cdot \cdot \cdot A \cdot \cdot \cdot$  represents  $=\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)-$ ,  $-\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)=$ ,  $-\text{C}(=\text{CH}_2)-$ ,  $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)-$  or  $[-\text{C}(\text{OH})(\text{CH}_3)-]$   $-\text{C}(\text{OH})(\text{CH}_3)-$ ; and